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TO:

The Honorable John M. Mizuno, Chair

House Committee on Human Services

FROM:

Patricia McManaman, Interim Director

SUBJECT:

H.B. 161 - RELATING HUMAN SERVICES CONTRACTS

Hearing:

Thursday, February 10, 2011; 9:00 a.m.

Conference Room 329, State Capitol

PURPOSE: The purpose of H.B. 161 is to require the Department of Human Services to report to legislature prior to 2012 regular session information relating to domestic violence victim services contract award process; awardees, dollar amounts, number of victims served, and types of services provided by nonprofit organizations for the period from 1/1/2007 to 6/30/2011.

DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: The Department of Human Services does not believe this bill is necessary. We will willingly provide the information requested in the bill before the next legislative session. We recommend that the reporting period coincide with the State Fiscal Year from 7/1/2007 to 6/30/2011.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.